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Gary Wayne Bagnall

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Group Art Unit: 3752

Examiner: Ganey, Steven J.

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**REQUEST TO INITIAL FORM PTO/SB08B/
COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner initial the attached form PTO/SB08b, which was filed in an Information Disclosure Statement on July 6, 2004. A complete copy of that IDS, as filed, is attached. It is noted that the references in the form PTO/SB08a (which also

was included with the IDS) were initialed. Applicant also is attaching a copy of the stamped postcard from the USPTO indicating that all documents were in fact received.

In addition, the following comments are submitted in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

Applicant believes that each claim in the application has been allowed because the combination of features recited in that claim is not disclosed or suggested by the prior art, i.e., that each claim was in fact fully evaluated and then allowed on its own merits. In the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance, certain features of the allowed claims are emphasized as not being shown by the prior art. However, it is believed that the particular features emphasized in the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance are just generally representative of the present claims.

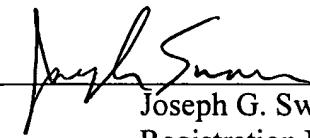
Applicant respectfully requests written notification if Applicant's understanding as set forth above is incorrect in any respect whatsoever.

It is not believed that any additional fees are due in connection with the filing of this paper. However, if there are any additional fees due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 13-3735. A duplicate copy of this page is attached for that purpose.

Dated: November 23, 2005

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.99, Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the references identified on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A+B which the Examiner may consider to be material to examination of the subject application.

Copies of the references are submitted herewith along with Form PTO/SB/08A+B. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the enclosed references and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the enclosed documents constitute "prior art". Applicant reserves the right to present to the Patent and Trademark Office relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the enclosed references, should one or more of the references be applied against the claims of the present application.

As this submission is being made prior to the first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that no fees are due in connection herewith. If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this paper that have not been accounted for in this paper or in the accompanying papers, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 13-3735. If an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 is required for the filing of this paper and is not accounted for in this paper or the accompanying papers, such an extension is requested and the fee (or any underpayment thereof) should also be charged to the Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this page is enclosed for that purpose.

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